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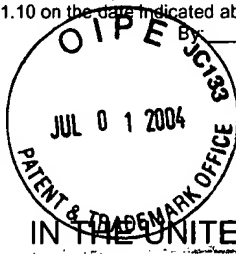
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Peter FISHER et al.

Application No.: 09/886,011

Filed: June 22, 2001

For: DYE-LABELED
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Group Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: Jezia Riley

Confirmation No. 4801

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed March 5, 2004. The period for reply has been extended one month, to July 5, 2004, with the enclosed Petition for One Month Extension of Time and required fee.

Please amend the application as follows.